## FORENSIC COUNSELING SERVICES

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## **ADDENDUM FOR COURT-ORDERED COUNSELING**

**Court appointment:** I understand that although I may be providing payment to Dr. Robb he is working under court appointment and that he may be required by the court to provide information regarding services rendered in accordance with the court order. During court ordered counseling Dr. Robb may also be required to provide information to one or more of the attorneys involved.

**Retainer:** A retainer equal to four hours of service (\$800.00) is due in advance from each of the parties. If one party is ordered to pay for all costs of services they will also need to pay both retainers. Payment may be made by check or money order made payable to Forensic Counseling Services; no electronic payments are accepted. Services may be charged against the retainer provided that the parties continue to fully replenish the retainer when billed. If a party is late in replenishing the retainer services may be suspended until such time as the retainer is replenished. Should the services no longer be needed, refunds will be issued only if there is remaining retainer on account for the case, and then only up to the amount of retainer on account. Should one side fail to provide full payment issues of reimbursement may have to be addressed to the court.

**Billing:** With the exception of individual sessions, charges for the service will generally be divided equally between the parties unless otherwise specifically ordered by the court. If the order for counseling stipulates that only one parent is financially responsible and the other parent cancels without 72 business hours notice the fee will be deducted from the retainer on file, although the canceling parent is responsible for reimbursing that charge to the other parent.

There may also be times when, similar to individual sessions, the counselor deems it appropriate to charge only one party a particular fee, such as when one of the parties is disproportionately utilizing service time. This determination is solely at the counselor's discretion.

## Do not sign this form unless you have read and understood it.

Date
Date
describe your legal authority to act

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